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Ashkenazi et al.

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The references now cited are the following:

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- 1. Blast Results A1-A6, GenBank
- 2. Blast Results, B1-B6, Dayhoff

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Applicant(s) respectfully request that the listed documents be made of record in the present case.

Respectfully submitted,

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